

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

**Claim 1. ( original)**

A drywall cutting guide comprising:

- a) a T-shaped body including
  - (1) a first body portion having
    - (A) a first edge which is adapted to be located adjacent to an edge of a sheet of material being cut during use of said T-shaped body,
    - (B) a second edge,
    - (C) a transverse axis extending between the first edge of the first body portion and the second edge of the first body portion,
    - (D) a first end,
    - (E) a second end,
    - (F) a longitudinal axis extending between the first end of the first body portion and the second end of the first body portion,
    - (G) a first planar face,
    - (H) a second face, and
    - (I) a U-shaped handle mounted on the first face of the first body portion,
    - and

(2) a second body portion having

- (A) a first edge which is adapted to be located adjacent to a planar surface of the sheet of material being cut during use of said T-shaped body, the first edge of the second body portion being perpendicular to the first edge of the first body portion,
- (B) a second edge,
- (C) a transverse axis extending between the first edge of the second body portion and the second edge of the second body portion,
- (D) a first end,
- (E) a second end,
- (F) a longitudinal axis extending between the first end of the second body portion and the second end of the second body portion, the longitudinal axis of the second body portion being perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the first body portion,
- (G) a first planar face which is co-planar with the first planar face of the first body portion,
- (H) a second face which is planar and which is adapted to slidably abut the planar surface of the sheet of material being cut during use of said T-shaped body, and
- (I) a groove defined in the second edge of the second body portion to

extend from the first end of the second body portion to the second end of the first body portion;

- b) a plurality of roller bearings in the first edge of the first body portion, the roller bearings being spaced apart from each other in the direction of the longitudinal axis of the first body portion and being adapted to rollably engage the edge of the sheet of material being cut during use of said T-shaped body;
- c) a plurality of slots defined in the second body portion, said slots extending parallel to the first edge of the first body portion and extending from the first edge of the second body portion toward the second edge of the second body portion, the slots being adapted to accommodate a drywall cutting or marking instrument; and
- d) a plurality of indicia on the first face of the second body portion adjacent to the slots.

**Claim 2. (original)**

In combination:

- a) a sheet of drywall having a first edge, a second edge, and a planar face; and
- b) a drywall cutting guide comprising
  - (1) a T-shaped body including
    - (A) a first body portion having
      - (i) a first edge which is located adjacent to the first edge of the

drywall,

(ii) a second edge,

(iii) a transverse axis extending between the first edge of the first  
body portion and the second edge of the first body portion,

(iv) a first end,

(v) a second end,

(vi) a longitudinal axis extending between the first end of the first  
body portion and the second end of the first body portion,

(vii) a first planar face,

(viii) a second face, and

(ix) a U-shaped handle mounted on the first face of the first body  
portion, and

(B) a second body portion having

(i) a first edge which is adapted to be located adjacent to a planar  
surface of said drywall, the first edge of the second body  
portion being perpendicular to the first edge of the first  
body portion,

(ii) a second edge,

(iii) a transverse axis extending between the first edge of the  
second body portion and the second edge of the second

body portion,

(iv) a first end,

(v) a second end,

(vi) a longitudinal axis extending between the first end of the

second body portion and the second end of the second body

portion, the longitudinal axis of the second body portion

being perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the first

body portion,

(vii) a first planar face which is co-planar with the first planar face

of the first body portion,

(viii) a second face which is planar and which slidably abuts the

planar surface of said drywall, and

(ix) a groove defined in the second edge of the second body portion

to extend from the first end of the second body portion to

the second end of the first body portion,

(2) a plurality of roller bearings in the first edge of the first body portion, the roller

bearings being spaced apart from each other in the direction of the

longitudinal axis of the first body portion and which rollably engage the

edge of said drywall,

(3) a plurality of slots defined in the second body portion, said slots extending

parallel to the first edge of the first body portion and extending from the first edge of the second body portion toward the second edge of the second body portion, the slots being adapted to accommodate a drywall cutting or marking instrument, and

(4) a plurality of indicia on the first face of the second body portion adjacent to the slots.

**3. (amended)**

A drywall cutting guide comprising:

- a) a T-shaped body having a first body portion having ~~an~~ a face and a first edge and a second body portion having ~~an~~ a second edge, with the second body portion being perpendicular to the first body portion;
- b) roller bearings in the first edge of the first body portion, the roller bearings being adapted to engage an edge of a sheet of material; ~~and~~
- c) a plurality of slots defined in the second edge of the second body portion, said slots extending parallel to the first edge of the first body portion and extending from the second edge of the second body portion, the slots being adapted to accommodate a drywall cutting or marking instrument; and
- d) a U-shaped handle mounted on the face of the first body portion,